

WERRIBEE IRRIGATION DISTRICT MODERNISATION PROJECT

STAGE 3 - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is SRW doing?

SRW is upgrading the WID supply system by replacing the old channels with new pipelines and customer outlets.

We have completed several major stages of works, and have now built almost 20km of pipeline.

Where are the new pipelines going?

All new pipelines will be laid inside our channel reserve land and sometimes under roads that need crossing.

When will the next stage of works start?

Stage 3 works will commence in autumn 2019.

We are contacting customers now and will make site visits from September 2018.

See the map for the WID Stage 3 area.

How long will it take?

Most pipelines will be built in the autumn and winter season between April and September.

Final clean up and outlet construction may continue for a few months after the end of the winter delivery season

The Main Channel replacement pipeline along Diggers Road may start earlier in 2019.

What happens to my outlet?

For outlets that are being used, we will replace old Dethridge wheels with new piped outlets and flow meters to record how much water is used.

Water will be delivered into a pit and we connect this with your supply pipe or channel to your dam.

For outlets that are not being used, we will install a blank tee so that a customer outlet can be built if there is a need in the future.

Can I relocate my supply point?

Your new outlet will be installed at the same location. If you prefer it to be in a different location, please discuss this with us and we will confirm if your request is possible.

What is SRW doing with the old channel?

The concrete lining will be removed and the old channels filled in.

Will the works impact on supply?

We are building the new pipelines in the winter season to reduce disruption.

Deliveries will still be possible every second week.

What if I have crops or other assets I own near the channel?

If you have structures, crops or other items on our land, we will ask you to remove them before we start building the new pipelines.

Please let us know if you have any of your irrigation pipes, power or other cables near our channels so that we can avoid them if we can.

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If I have a bridge across the channel to my property, what happens to it?

Bridges for driveways and farm vehicles will be removed and replaced with a matching pavement to your driveway where possible. As foot bridges will not be needed, these will also be removed.

If you want your bridge retained, please discuss this with us and we will confirm if your request is possible.

Will SRW require access to my land?

At times our construction contractor may need to use your land to build the new pipeline or outlets. We will issue you with a Section 133 notice under the Water Act to give us legal access and give you protection for any damage on your land.

Will SRW meet with me in person?

We are meeting with all Stage 3 customers in person from September 2018 onwards to provide more information and answer your questions about the project.

For more information, please call our Project Manager, Doug Wingett on 1300 139 510.